

BRENTWOOD BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES OF OCTOBER 13, 2009 MEETING

Convened: 6:30 p.m.

Present: Jeffrey Bryan
Andrew Artimovich
Jane Byrne
George Waldron

The Board met and reviewed payroll, accounts payable, and signed the register.

Jonathan Ellis was in to present the weekly Treasurer's report.

The Selectmen reviewed the minutes of the 10/6/09 meeting. Waldron made a motion, seconded by Artimovich, to approve the minutes as written. All members voted in favor.

The Board discussed/signed the following:

- The Board signed a memo to the Fire Department regarding meals and refreshments for the fire personnel.
- Artimovich made a motion recommending the Board send a letter to Timberland thanking them for their work at the BCC during Serve-A-Palooza day. Bryan seconded the motion; all voted in favor.
- Artimovich made a motion, seconded by Waldron, to approve the additional handbook changes that were presented on 9/29/09. All voted in favor.
- Byrne recommended sending a letter to the ZBA supporting the application for a variance for David Gallant as the parcel in question adjoins with the town forest, it increases our open space, costs the Town nothing and continues with the open space program without any cost to the Town. Waldron asked if the ZBA would take offense to the Board's input. Artimovich responded that the Town is an abutter and therefore would have the right to give input. The Board agreed to give them a letter.

The Selectmen voted on the following budgets:

- Town Meeting: Artimovich made a motion, with a second from Waldron, to approve the Town Meeting budget in the amount of \$3,001. All voted in favor.
- Election: Stevens handed out a revised Election budget increasing supplies to \$2,000 for the programming of the ballot machine. A motion was made by Artimovich to approve the Election budget in the amount of \$7,176 which includes paying the clerks but removes the expense of setting up the BCC as we will ask Jim Colcord to do that as part of his regular duties. Waldron seconded the motion; all voted in favor.
- Health Officer: Bryan made a motion, seconded by Byrne, to approve the Health Officer's budget for \$100. All voted in favor.
- Welfare: A motion was made by Waldron to approve the Welfare budget in the amount of \$6,235. Byrne seconded the motion; all in favor.
- Emergency Management: Bryan made a motion, with a second from Byrne, to approve the level funded budget in the amount of \$7,226. All voted in favor.
- ZBA: Following a motion by Byrne with a second by Waldron, the Board approved the ZBA budget in the amount of \$1,561.

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- Finance: The budget in the amount of \$47,195 was unanimously approved following a motion by Byrne and second by Waldron.
- Assessing: Bryan made a motion, seconded by Artimovich, to approve the Assessing budget in the amount of \$109,501. All voted in favor.

Gil Tuck, building inspector, was in with one permit which the selectmen signed for Paul Marcoux of 240 Pickpocket Road for the addition of a 3 season room.

The Board reviewed the following budgets:

Budget Committee in the amount of \$800, which is a decrease from \$1,169 in 2009.

Cemetery budget was presented by Albert Belanger.

Wages: Increase from \$3,802 to \$5,225. It includes an increase in the number of hours plus the 1.7% COLA for 2010. The Clerk/bookkeeper has declined the COLA.

FICA/Medicare: 7.65% of wages

Electric Service: level funded at \$300

Vehicle fuel & oil: level funded at \$175

Land Maintenance: Budgeted figure of \$2,200 includes gravel/stone materials for annual road repairs and materials for constructing border edging along the pathways to separate the gravel from the adjoining grass.

Equipment Purchases: \$1 to keep line open.

Total Budget: \$8,301- an increase of \$1,532 from 2009.

Library budget was presented by Jim Clark and Bob Gilbert.

Total budget is level funded at \$179,636.87 and includes COLA increases only. All other expense items are remaining the same as 2009 except electricity is being budged for a \$216.22 increase and heating & propane is being reduced by \$2,420.

Tax Collector's budget was presented by Phyllis Thompson.

Salaries: Thompson is opting not to take the COLA. Budgeted amount is \$23,214.

Wages: Thompson submitted 2 options, 1 with just the COLA for the deputy and the clerk and the other with their COLA plus hers split between the 2 employees.

Insurances: level funded for the time being

FICA/Medicare & NH Retirement: Both are percentages of salaries/wages

Professional Training: Reduced from \$125 to \$75

Conventions: Increased from \$450 in '09 to \$525

Abstracts: Increased from \$1,200 to \$2,000 – They have spent \$2,045 this year so wanted to budget 2010 accordingly.

Total Budget: Either \$57,908 at a 4% increase or \$58,081 at a 4.3% increase.

Town Clerk was also presented by Thompson

Salaries, Wages, Insurances, FICA/Medicare & NH Retirement: Same as above

Professional Training & Conventions: level funded from '09

Dues & Subscriptions: decreased from \$215 in '09 to \$125 in 2010

Postage: Increased to \$1,800. A lot of this comes back in through fees for e-reg, etc.

Office Supplies: Left at \$450

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Dog Licenses: Increased by \$25 from \$150 to \$175

Total Budget: Either \$57,583 at a 2.47% increase or \$57,957 at a 3.1% increase.

Road Agent Wayne Robinson was in to report that Bell & Flynn started on Pickpocket Rd and will be doing Crawley Falls Rd as well. Robinson wanted to confirm that he has enough money left in his budget for binder and top coat on Pickpocket and binder only on Crawley Falls. The Board determined that there is enough money left between the warrant article and the road construction line of his regular budget.

Bryan noted that he had one concerned resident question the need for Brentwood's police to direct traffic for the grass drags that took place in Fremont. Robinson reported that he will talk with Fremont's chief about this situation next year so that they schedule for details.

At 7:40 p.m. Bryan made a motion, seconded by Artimovich, to adjourn. All voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Stevens